## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 USC §132, effective on May 29. 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/647,108
Filing Date	September 26, 2000
First Named Inventor	Aloys HÜTTERMANN
Group Art Unit	1754
Examiner Name	A. J. Kuhar
Attorney Docket Number	5219-4PRCE

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000 applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
- a. [] Previously submitted
  - i. [] Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
  - ii. [] Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
  - iii.[] Other
- b. [x] Enclosed

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i. [x] Amendment/Reply

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iv.[] Other

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- 2. Miscellaneous
- a. [] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(l) required)

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b. [] Other

Fees 3.

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. [x] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No.: 03-2412.
  - i. [x] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R.§ 1.17(e)
  - ii. [] Extension of time fee (37C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
  - iii. Small Entity Status is being claimed for this application.
- vi.[x] Other Preliminary Amendment and Replacement Specification
- b. [x] Check in the amount of \$750.00 enclosed.
- c. [ ] Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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In re RCE Application of: Aloys HÜTTERMANN et al.

For: Method Of Reducing The Availability Of Heavy Metals In Plants And The Use Of

Cross Linked Poly(Meth)Acrylates In Said Method

Parent Serial No.: 09/647,108

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[X] The issue fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at 3 months from mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311 (b) provided the fee has not already been paid by check.

[X] Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.

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